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Director of Central Intelligence
Assistant Director for Operations
FBIB Communications

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Refs.:

- (a) Memorandum, same subject, to DCI from AD/00 dated 20 October 1948
- (b) Memorandum attached hereto, to AD/00 from Chief, FBIB, dated 27 October 1948

1. Reference (a) outlined the current situation regarding London-Washington communications and recommended an increased allocation of funds for the use of commercial facilities between those points.

2. Reference (b) points out a possible solution to the problem which was proposed by Colonel W. T. Guest, Chief, Army Communications Service, Office of the Chief Signal Officer. This office is convinced that the proposal outlined, if accepted, may well furnish the service required by FBIB at less cost than currently envisaged and with a greater degree of dependability.

3. The recommendation of paragraph 12, reference (b) is concurred in by this Office. Of the reasons outlined in reference (b), that concerning reduced costs, and the fact of Frankfurt's physical vulnerability, are deemed of sufficient importance to justify the recommendation. It is believed that a written instrument should be drawn up by the General Counsel in order to formalize the agreement even though the Army may be unable to guarantee results in the form of a firm written commitment. Comments of the General Counsel in this regard are, therefore, solicited.

4. Since sufficient funds have been allocated within CIA to cover the expense of FBIB communications, it is suggested that this transaction, if approved, may not require a formal meeting of the Projects Review Committee.

GEORGE G. CAREY

Encs.

(cc Refs. (a) and (b))

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